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Unitary Highest Weight Modules over Block Type Lie Algebras $\mathcal{B}(q)$

We classify the unitary quasifinite irreducible highest weight modules over the Block type Lie algebras $\mathcal{B}(q)$ for all non-zero values of the parameter q. The algebra $\mathcal{B}(q)$ contains the Virasoro algebra as a subalgebra and thus is likely to have applications in conformal field theory.

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